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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE

Year Ending March, 1872.

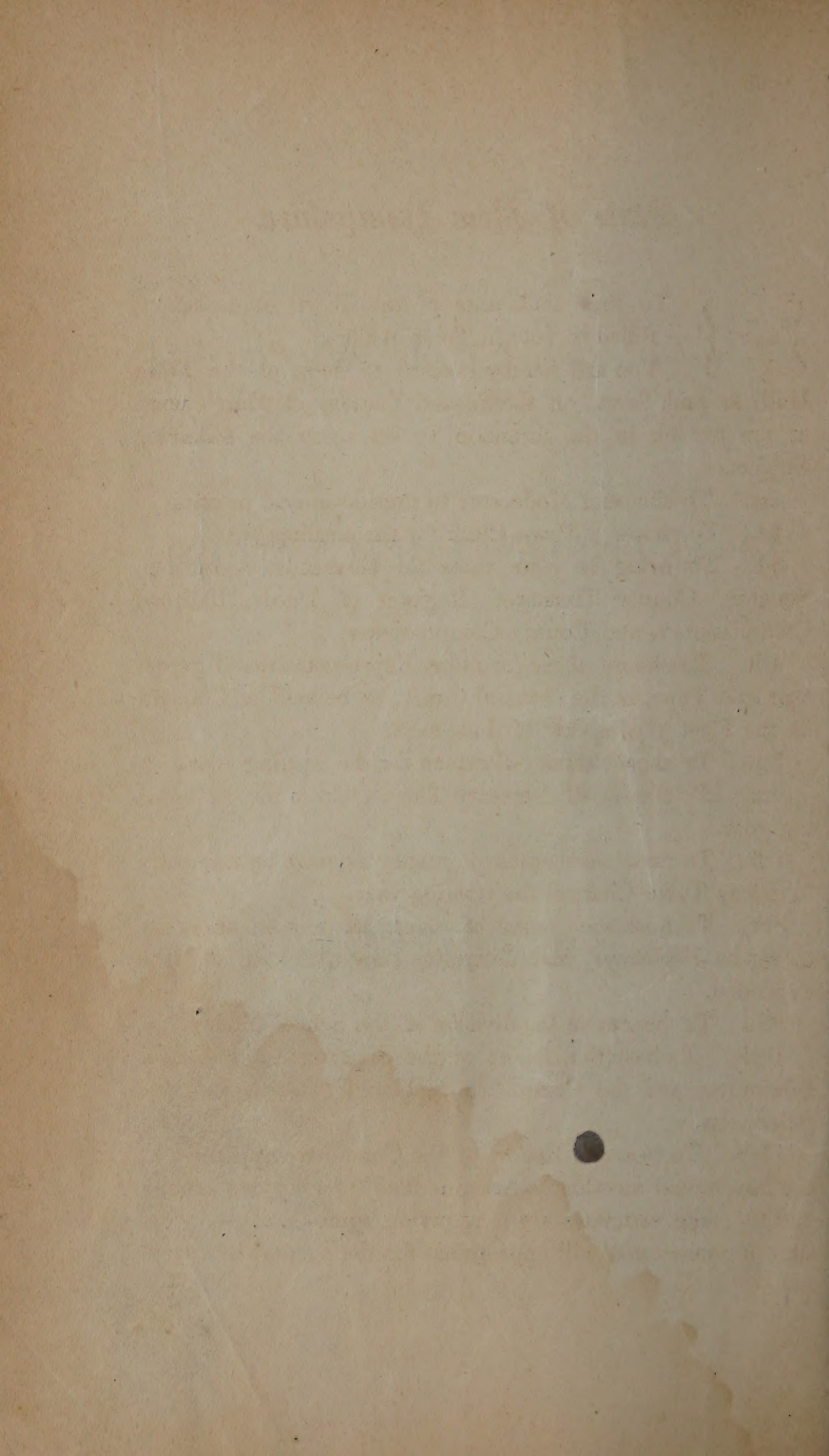
ALSO, COMPRISING THE

Report of the Superintending School Committee.

LEBANON:

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State of New Hampshire.

{ L. s. } To the inhabitants of the Town of Lebanon,
qualified to vote in Town Affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on the Second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following Subjects :

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3d. To bring in your votes for Governor, Councillor, Senator, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Railroad Commissioner, and County Commissioner.
- 4th. To choose three or more Representatives to represent said Town in the General Court, to be held at Concord on the First Wednesday of June next.
- 5th. To choose three Selectmen for the ensuing year.
- 6th. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- 7th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges the ensuing year.
- 8th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to repair Highways, and determine how the same shall be expended.
- 9th. To determine the division of the School Money.
- 10th. To hear the Report of the Superintending School Committee and the Committee appointed to settle with the Selectmen.
- 11th. To hear the Report of the Committee appointed at the last annual meeting to examine land for a burying ground and to make estimates for a receiving tomb—and see what sum of money you will appropriate for the purpose of carry-

ing out the recommendations of said Committee, or act thereon.

12th. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway leading from the junction of the roads near Thomas E. Hough's southerly to the John Durkee house, so called.

13th. To see if the Town will vote to allow S. S. Houghton to project stone steps in front of the main entrance of the Hotel onto land of the Town a distance not exceeding eight feet, or act thereon.

14th. To see if the Town will vote to disannex the house and land of John K. Butman from School District No. 2, and annex the same to District No. 3, for schooling purposes, or act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, A. D. 1872.

SOLON A. PECK,	}	Selectmen of Lebanon.
BRADLEY TRUE,		
RICHARD WALKER,		

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of the town of Lebanon, consisting of
 'SOLON A. PECK, BRADLEY TRUE, and RICHARD WALKER,
 most respectfully submit their Report of the financial affairs
 of the town of Lebanon, for the year ending March 1st, 1872.

Amount of Cash received from all sources:

Cash on hand last year's Report,	\$5,175 94
Received from Lebanon Savings Bank,	4,000 00
“ “ John Ela, rent of school lot,	20 00
“ “ Martin Welch,	5 33
“ “ David Marcotte,	3 30
“ “ John Dodge's Note,	5,000 00
“ “ Two circus licenses,	60 00
“ “ Error, J. M. Nelson's Note,	1 40
“ “ Sale of Town Bonds,	30,000 00
“ “ Received premium on Bonds,	300 00
“ “ “ Accrued interest on do.,	48 47
“ “ County Pauper Account,	984 55
“ “ H. L. Storrs, Note and Interest,	105 81
“ “ Literary Fund,	154 20
“ “ Savings Bank Tax, 1871,	764 37
“ “ Rail Road “	4,148 07
“ “ Non-resident Bank Tax,	207 77
“ “ Collection of taxes 1871,	18,353 00
“ “ Taxes on dogs,	139 00
“ “ Interest on Tax Bills,	50 00
“ “ E. Ticknor, Liquor Agent,	235 37
“ “ J. Richardson's Note,	57 30
“ “ W. H. Richardson, as per Town Hall Report,	118 78
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Total amount of cash received.	\$69,932 66

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Cash paid to the following persons, viz :

Charles Barney, for searching records,	\$ 50
E. H. Cheney, for printing Reports,	65 00
Mascoma Engine Company,	41 66
O. D. Hildreth, Insurance,	50 00
Dr. J. A. Davis, return of births and deaths,	8 00
Postage stamps,	1 50
W. R. Heath, for oxen,	210 00
Dr. A. Smalley, return of births and deaths,	3 75
Dr. L. C. Bean, " " " "	5 75
Dr. T. H. Currie, " " " "	3 25
A. W. Baker, Moderator,	5 00
Mascoma Engine Company,	36 66
Joseph Mace, freight on safe,	12 18
Mascoma Engine Company,	37 90
E. H. Cheney, printing,	8 25
E. Cole, Committee services,	2 50
F. P. Flynn, wood for office,	1 75
Lewis Hinkley, work on graveyard,	7 40
State Tax,	5,874 00
S. A. Peck, expenses to Concord,	6 90
Susan Amsden, over-tax past year, 1871,	18 15
J. W. Gerrish, work at cemetery,	5 00
County Tax,	4,674 82
C. M. Hildreth, stove, zinc and repairs on lobby,	20 38
Mascoma Engine Company,	33 33
Hildreth & Wright, premium on Insurance,	50 00
Town Clerk of Lancaster, searching records,	25
W. R. Heath, for collecting taxes,	230 42
W. R. Heath, abatements on Tax Bill,	57 75
E. J. Durant & Son, two mattresses,	7 00
" " " " Furnishing office,	20 62
John Day, wood for Engine House,	2 50
J. L. Spring, attorney services,	17 00
E. J. Durant, Town Clerk,	43 75
C. A. Downs, School Superintendent,	55 00
" " " " Surveying,	10 00
E. Ticknor, Agent, alcohol for engine,	35 25
Policemen for 1870 and 1871,	55 00
Richard Walker, services as Selectman,	60 00
Bradley True, " " " "	81 00

Solon A. Peck, services as Selectman,	290 00
O. W. Burnap, Auditor,	3 00
J. W. Gerrish, “	3 00
P. E. Davis “	8 00
Expenses and repairs on Fire Engine,	17 87
Perley & Peck, for printing orders,	2 50
W. H. Richardson, stationery and school books,	21 77
“ “ Care of Town Clock and repairs,	26 70
Thomas Landers, labor and material,	1 75
E. Morris, Agent, for Safe,	260 00
Hatch and Company, printing Bonds,	190 00
J. W. Gerrish, Treasurer,	70 00
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	\$12,753 76

HANOVER ST. IRON BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Paid C. D. Sargent, labor,	\$ 4 00
“ James Pero, “	5 00
“ Bennett & Shampagn,	10 00
“ Goodrich & Baker,	11 26
“ H. Rix,	5 10
“ C. Hutchins,	5 40
“ Z. Huntington,	5 40
“ Hurlburt & Emerson, lumber,	130 00
“ George B. James, do.,	135 67
“ J. Mace, freight on do.,	32 26
“ N. E. Iron Bridge Co.,	1,748 38
“ J. Mace, freight on Bridge,	51 62
“ “ “ Railing,	7 05
“ P. H. Freeto, stone work,	30 00
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	\$ 181 44

WOODEN BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Paid Lucian Gillet, labor,	\$ 18 56
“ Goodrich & Baker,	53 53
“ Cole, Bugbee & Co., Iron work,	150 84
“ Hurlbutt & Emerson, lumber,	69 58
“ Pattee & Perley, do.,	174 17
“ J. C. Sturtevant & Co, labor,	115 50
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	\$582 28

LAND DAMAGE ACCOUNT.

Paid	P. E. Davis, land damage,	\$ 45 00
"	Hiram Purmort, "	3 00
"	Geo. W. Worthen, "	150 00
"	Dennis Porter, "	100 00
"	Peter Sargent, "	20 00
"	G. S. Derome, Catholic society, L. D.,	87 50
"	Patrick Flynn, "	25 00
"	Harvey Murch, "	15 00
"	E. M. Tenney, "	45 00
"	S. S. Houghton, "	70 00
"	J. W. Gerrish, "	90 00
"	Emery Rice,	2 00
"	Geo. W. Worthen,	25 00
"	J. W. Gerrish,	2 00
"	J C. Sturtevant & Co.,	5 00
"	" " "	25 00
"	F. P. Flynn,	15 00
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		\$724 50

PAID DAMAGES BY DOGS.

Paid	O. L. Stevens, damage done by dogs,	\$ 6 00
"	J. W. Jewett, sheep killed	3 00
"	L. Slack, " "	15 00
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		\$24 00

TOWN PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Paid for support of	Stephen Thurston,	\$134 75
"	" Winfield Roberts,	103 17
"	" Percival family,	165 70
"	" Hall family,	110 50
"	" Hoffman family,	104 71
"	" Thomas Hardy,	143 85
"	" Moses Seavey,	42 00
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		\$804 68

COUNTY PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Paid for the support of	W. Rand,	\$ 99 36
"	" James Simmons,	84 87
"	" Lewis Webster,	8 20
"	" P. P. Langlois,	12 50
"	" Joseph Lapronce (killed),	62 00
"	" Sophronia Aspinwall,	78 00
"	" Huldah Slapp,	78 00
"	" Asa Wood and wife,	124 00
"	" Martin Welch family,	31 75
"	" Elizabeth Griffin,	81 32
"	" James Hutchinson, Esq.,	99 55
"	" B. H. Ingerson,	51 33
"	" Mrs. Whitmore,	58 50
"	" Transient Paupers,	40 73
"	" " "	3 00
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		\$913 10

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Paid	Alfred Balch, labor,	\$350 00
	Charles Bushway, "	112 00
	Z. P. Alden, "	155 00
	H. S. Billings, meal,	64 90
	Frank Sayers,	66 09
	Samuel Patch, labor,	8 25
	Cobb & Cheney, lumber,	49 95
	C. M. Hildreth, tools,	6 94
	O. Johnson, hay,	10 63
	E. Ward, damage on road,	20 00
	J. H. Buck, water trough, &c.,	4 40
	E. Cole, lumber,	15 13
	C. B. Plaistridge, labor,	43 00
	P. E. Davis, lumber,	23 84
	A. H. Wood, labor and lumber,	36 75
	C. B. Hutchins, cement pipe,	164 80
	J. Hamilton, hay,	10 07
	J. W. Gerrish, lumber,	233 98
	C. M. Hildreth, spikes and steel,	19 69
	J. C. Sturtevant & Co.,	46 84
"	" " Culvert work, 1869,	40 00
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		\$1,484 26

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT.

Paid	J. C. Sturtevant & Co.,	\$39 40
	Z. A. Cook, labor,	8 00
	A. W. Shapley, labor,	25 85
	Goodrich & Baker,	250 00
	J. C. Sturtevant & Co.,	19 59
	P. H. Freeto, labor,	3 00
	W. H. Morris, painting, &c.,	234 93
	N. W. Morse, lumber,	14 52
	N. B. Marston,	20 17
	Goodrich & Baker,	100 00
	E. J. Durant, ventilating,	30 00
	J. Muchmore & Son, labor,	18 95
	C. M. Hildreth,	134 37
	Goodrich & Baker,	83 09
	French & Dewey, painting,	4 32
	P. Flynn,	1 40
	G. N. Greeley, brick,	1 50
	Goodrich & Baker,	2 88
	A. W. Shapley, labor,	1 75
	J. Mooney,	1 60
	C. H. Hunter,	3 20
	N. B. Marston, lumber,	3 05
	J. W. Gerrish, wood, old bill,	6 00
	J. C. Sturtevant & Co.,	5 56
	Building Committee, balance,	48 75
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		\$1,061 88

NOTE AND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid	Bank of Lebanon, Dodge's two Notes,	\$4,100 00
	Savings Bank of Lebanon, Interest,	146 00
	Lucy H. Sartwell's Note and Interest,	2,100 00
	A. Griswold, L. Stearns' Note,	556 50
	Polly Lomer, Interest,	30 00
	Kate M. Lowe, "	60 00
	Joel Dimick, Note and Interest,	1,119 36
	W. D. Bryant, interest on two Notes,	24 00
	Ira Bucklin, W. P. Marston's Note,	139 15
	J. M. Nelson's Note and Interest,	110 55
	J. H. Kendrick, Note and Interest,	503 80
	" " " "	1,511 40
	W. S. Ela, Crain's Notes,	1,787 17

Paid	Maria H. White, Interest,	9 00
	E. J. Ramsey, “	9 00
	Richard Walker, Jr., Note and Interest,	530 46
	J. W. Gerrish, “ “	2,066 66
	J. W. Dodge, “ “	5,075 00
	S. A. Peck, Sartwell Note “	645 54
	D. W. Marston,	315 25
	E. J. Durant, Low Note,	293 11
	G. N. Greeley, Note and Interest,	314 40
	Maria H. White, Notes and Interest,	281 74
	Z. A. Cook, “ “	224 19
	“ “ Jones note “	108 01
	Lorin Smith, “	153 47
	“ “ Treasurer, “	549 35
	S. M. Pingree, Attorney for Leavitt,	1,026 94
	J. W. Rock, Note and Interest,	521 16
	W. D. Bryant, Notes “	414 12
	E. Cole, Mary A. Tracy's Note and Interest,	562 00
	B. F. Fellows, “ “	415 53
	Lester House, “ “	105 50
	Susannah Amsden, notes and “	2,166 13
	C. M. Fairbanks, “ “	1,212 12
	Eva J. Ramsey, “ “	153 00
	A. M. Dickinson, “ “	1,041 33
	Eva J. Ramsey, “ “	105 90
	Asa Chase, “ “	106 67
	Sarah G. Hubbard, “ “	2,145 44
	J. M. Nelson, “ “	290 73
	Nathaniel Howe, “ “	649 72
	U. Dow, Administrator, Conant's estate, two Notes and Interest,	2,854 25
	G. S. Leseur, three Notes and Interest,	317 50
	E. D. Emerson, “ “	102 00
	Savings Bank, two Notes “	2,008 40
	Mighil Dustin, “ “	1,212 45
	Ira Bucklin, “ “	128 63
	Wm. F. Smith, “ “	1,238 29
	Orin Hubbard, “	120 00
	Lydia Blodgett, “	18 00
	James Walker, “	180 00
	National Bank of Lebanon, Interest on Bonds,	807 69
	Savings Bank, Note and Interest,	2,073 00

\$44,739 61

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The undersigned having been appointed Treasurer of the town of Lebanon by the Selectmen thereof, most respectfully makes the following Report, viz :

Dr. To Cash received from the Selectmen and all other sources,	\$69,932 66
Cr. By paid the orders of the Selectmen,	68,707 01
Amount of Cash on hand,	<u>\$1,225 65</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. GERRISH, Treasurer.

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount due the several Districts as per last report,	\$ 608 88
Town Proportion,	3,426 50
Literary Fund,	163 27
	<u>\$4,198 65</u>

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY.

District.	Scholars.	Division 1871.	Unpaid 1870.	Total.	Paid.	Now due.
1	10	\$ 104 20	\$ 18 73	\$ 122 93	\$ 35 00	\$ 87 93
2	99	368 53		368 53	350 42	18 53
3	35	178 45	70 53	248 98	187 50	61 48
4	26	151 72	10 65	162 37	131 00	31 37
5	11	107 17	30 12	137 29	118 00	19 29
6	14	116 08	12 03	128 11	119 00	9 11
7	22	139 84		139 84	139 84	
8	29	160 63	75 02	235 65	204 00	31 65
9	23	142 81		142 81	40 00	102 81
10	49	220 03	59 50	279 53	211 00	68 53
11	26	151 72		151 72	151 72	
12	56	240 82	65 11	305 93	201 00	104 93
13	65	267 55	32 62	300 17	190 00	110 17
14 & 15	328	1123 16	174 42	1297 58	1241 00	56 58
16	10	104 20	60 15	164 35	104 50	59 85
Gile.		12 28		12 86	12 86	
	803	\$3589 77	\$608 88	\$4198 65	\$3436 42	\$762 23

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT, 1871.

DR.

Feb. 24,	received of	Young America,	\$12 50
Mar. 1 & 2,	"	Ladies' Library Associ.,	18 00
" 9,	"	Glee & Chorus Society,	29 00
" 9,	"	D. B. Emerson,	4 00
" 14,	"	A. W. Baker,	13 00
" 16,	"	G. M. S. Horton,	12 00
" 18,	"	Democratic Celebration,	6 88
" 20,	"	Peak Family,	15 00
May 1 & 2,	"	Yankee Lock,	30 00
" 31,	"	W. Heyward,	12 00
July 4,	"	G. M. S. Horton,	12 00
" 18,	"	College Concert,	12 00
Sep 9,	"	Use Hall,	15 00
" 16,	"	G. A. R., Post 13,	33 00
" 21,	"	Heyward Panorama,	15 00
Oct 18,	"	Dr. Bean,	3 75
" "	"	Cardiff Giant,	7 00
Nov 16,	"	Hop Salsbury,	30 00
Nov 27,	"	Pilgrims,	30 00
Nov 29,	"	Bell Ringers,	15 00
Jan 18,	"	A. E. Hough,	91 00
Feb 15,	"	Whitmore & Clark,	20 00
Feb 27,	"	Lebanon Fire Ward,	4 94
Feb 27,	"	Republican Club,	10 50
Feb 27,	"	Glee and Chorus Society,	11 90
Feb 27,	"	E. P. Liscomb, for Gas,	
	used from Apr. 1, 1871, to Apr. 1, 1872,		17 50
Feb 27,	received of	James Bly, wood, &c.,	65
Feb 27,	"	G. A. R., Post 13,	11 55
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Amount paid out,			\$493 67
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Balance paid Selectmen,			\$118 78

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT, 1871.

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By Cash paid C. M. Heath, bill,	\$27 00
“ F. W. Page, work in Hall,	5 75
“ C. M. Clark, bill,	14,00
“ Gasoline, Hamilton,	72 25
“ Gasoline, Yeoman & Cross,	12 50
“ Freight bills,	19 45
“ P. H. Rock, 9 3-4 cords Wood,	58 50
“ W. Hall,	54 00
“ W. H. Richardson,	46 05
“ Cole, Bugbee & Co., for coal,	4 75
“ Setting glass,	50

REPAIRS.

By paid Tucker Manufacturing Company,	15 60
“ Gilbert & Barker,	21 62
“ Express on same,	2 25
“ Thomas McGan, bill and express,	1 55
“ Gilbert & Barker,	9 10
“ Hildreth, October 25,	85
“ Hildreth, December,	5 77
“ Richardson, bill,	3 50
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	\$374 89

E. TICKNOR'S TOWN LIQUOR AGENT ACCOUNT.

To amount on hand last report,	313 57
“ Purchased,	1593 18
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Whole amount of Liquors during the year,	\$1,906 75
By Liquors on hand February 20, 1872,	224 12
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Cost of Liquors sold during the year,	\$1,682 63
Amount of Sales,	\$2,108 00
Cost of Liquors,	\$1,682 63
Paid town,	275 37
E. Ticknor, Agent,	150 00
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	\$2,108 00

RECAPITULATION.

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Total amount of Cash received by Selectmen, \$69,932 66

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By paid ordinary and incidental,	\$12,753 76	
“ Notes and interest,	44,739 61	
“ Iron Bridge,	2,181 44	
“ Wooden Bridge,	582 28	
“ Highways,	1,484 26	
“ Town Hall,	1,061 88	
“ Town Paupers,	804 68	
“ County Paupers,	913 10	
“ Land Damages,	724 50	
“ Schools,	3,436 84	
“ Damages by dogs,	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$68,706 35
Amount of cash on hand.		<hr/> \$1,226 31

ASSETS.

Amount of Cash on hand,	\$1,226 31
Due on County Pauper account,	875 39
Liquors in E. Ticknor's hands,	224 12
Due from G. N. Greeley for oxen,	155 00
Due from John Ela, rent of school lot,	20 00
Due from cart and tools,	50 00
Howe, truss bridge, estimated at	450 00
Total amount of assets,	<hr/> \$3,000 82

Total amount of liabilities of the town,	\$44,302 29
Total amount of assets of the town,	3,000 82

Debt March 1st, 1872,	\$41,301 47
Debt March 1st, 1871,	40,735 60

Increase of debt the past year,	<hr/> \$565 87
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The foregoing comprises a true and correct statement of the financial condition of the town of Lebanon.

SOLON A. PECK,	} Selectmen of Lebanon .
BRADLEY TRUE,	
RICHARD WALKER,	

The foregoing statement to which the Selectmen of the town of Lebanon have affixed their names, represents the financial condition of the town for the year ending March 1, 1872. We, the undersigned, Auditors, have examined every item therein contained and the vouchers for the same and found them correct.

P. E. DAVIS,	} Auditors.
J. W. GERRISH,	
O. W. BURNAP,	

LIST OF NOTES,

Due from the Town of Lebanon, with Interest on the same to March 1, 1872.

Oren Hubbard,	\$2030 00
Elotia Hoffman,	75 26
Polly Loomer,	318 00
Mary A. Greenough,	407 05
Jonathan Emerson, 2d,	617 55
Jonathan Emerson, 2d,	361 39
C. C. Benton & Wm. S. Ela, Ex's,	1384 59
Patience Miller,	247 93
E. M. Carr,	184 80
Jason Densmore,	228 30
J. B. Ward,	88 37
A. H. Davidson,	589 90
M. E. Chellis,	222 60
Amanda Adams,	515 41
E. D. Emerson,	1090 74
E. D. Emerson,	762 04
Jonathan Emerson,	325 63
Lydia Blodgett,	303 00
Edson Blaisdell,	106 50
James Walker,	3015 00
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	\$12,874 06.
Town Bonds sold,	30,000 00
Interest on ditto,	206 00
Due several School Districts,	762 23
“ “ “ “ Dog Tax of '70 & '71,	190 00
“ Thomas Landers, road damage,	30 00
“ S. A. Peck, “ “	240 00
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	\$44,302 29

ERRATA.—On page 5, the item “E. Ticknor, Liquor Agent,” is erroneously reported \$235.37, whereas it should be \$275.37. This error, which was not discovered till the first sheets of this Report were printed, affects to the same extent the Total Cash Received and Amount of Cash on Hand. Wherever those items occur, they should be \$40 more, while the items of Total Debt March 1, 1872, and The Increase of Debt for the year, should be correspondingly less, than appears in the body of the Report.

P. E. DAVIS, AUDITOR.

REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

The Superintending School Committee respectfully submits the following report of the schools for the year ending March 12th, 1872.

DISTRICT NO. 1. Summer Term only. Abbie Floretta Cobb. The District is without a school-house, and every teacher labors under disadvantages. This was Miss Cobb's first attempt, and was successful.

DIST. 2. Primary Department, summer, Fall and Winter Terms. Mrs. Jennie W. Gates, who labored faithfully, and improved upon her own methods.

Second Department. Summer and Fall Terms. Miss Emma N. Miller, who seemed to manage and teach well. Winter Term. Miss Kate F. Tracey. Teacher energetic, but lacking somewhat in a thorough knowledge of principles; yet we call this a good school.

DIST. 3. Summer Term. Miss C. Ann Bugbee. This school did not appear to the best advantage, mainly, as it seemed to us, from want of a thorough preparation and of tact on the part of the teacher.

Fall Term. Miss Lizzie S. Balch. This was Miss Balch's first attempt. She was well qualified, but lacked confidence in herself.

Winter Term. Mrs. G. W. Soule. The school was well taught and managed.

DIST. 4 Summer Term. Mrs. Frances A. Hyde, who taught with her wonted success.

Fall Term. Miss Lottie N. Estabrook, who took great pains with her school, by which they profited.

Winter Term. Miss E. Stella Collins. This school appeared well at our visit. The teacher seemed to have good methods, and to be thorough.

DIST. 5. Fall Term. Miss Rosa A. Wood. Miss Wood is an excellent scholar, and gives good instruction.

Winter Term. Pitt Dillingham. No notice of this school reached the Committee, until a day or two before its close. Teacher without a certificate. It is best to conform to the requirements of the law.

DIST. 6. Winter Term. Miss Emma F. Farnham, 3 scholars. There could be no complaint of want of attention to each scholar, in this school. The number was not large enough for healthy competition, which is always desirable. The school did well, in the ordinary studies, and one of the pupils showed good aptitude at drawing.

DIST. 7. Fall Term. Miss R. M. Sawyer. This was in all respects a good school.

Winter Term. Miss Pauline S. Miller. There seemed to be, in this school, a lack of life and of definiteness in knowledge. The scholars did not seem to have clear ideas of the various points in their studies.

DIST. 8. Three Terms. Miss Lucy A. Miller, who has had experience, and always does better.

DIST. 9. Summer Term. Miss Mary A. Dresser. With this school we were well satisfied, as profitable in every way.

Fall and Winter Terms. Miss Sarah Gile, who always does well. We were especially pleased with a class in Grammar, which is not a *common* pleasure.

DIST. 10. Summer Term. Miss Julia E. Flanders, who scarcely did herself justice in this school, from failure of health.

Fall Term, 4 weeks. Miss Jennie C. Tilton. All was accomplished in this short term that could be reasonably expected.

Winter Term. Miss Emily A. Liscomb, who is well qualified, and knows how to teach. Her school was in all respects good.

DIST. 11. Summer and Fall Terms. Miss Achsah E. Wood. This school was not visited, from a misunderstanding as to the time of its closing. From the teacher's qualifications, we think it must have been profitable.

Winter Term. Emma F. Ross. In this school are some excellent scholars, and in their teacher they found the best of help in their studies.

DIST. 12. Miss L. J. Roberts. Teacher faithful and earnest, but somewhat behind the times in her methods.

Winter Term. Miss Clara J. Gates. This school labored under disadvantages from want of room. The teacher, however, did the best she could, under the circumstances, and that was well.

DIST. 13. Summer Term. Miss Lucy A. Miller, who has often taught this school, and always successfully.

Winter Term. Mr. E. G. Sargent, whose mental qualifications were sufficient, but he did not seem to manage the school successfully.

DISTS. 14 & 15. Primary Department. Summer and Winter Terms. M. Ella Cushman.

Second Department. Summer and Winter Terms. Miss Mary Emerson.

Third Department. Summer and Winter Terms. Miss Nellie F. Smalley.

These teachers have had charge of these schools for successive terms, and have been able to conduct them to better advantage than any stranger could do. In all these schools there has been a manifest improvement over previous terms. A study, for study it should be, and not a mere exercise, viz., Reading, has received more attention than formerly, and with marked benefit to the scholars.

Fourth Department. Summer Term. Miss Emma Harris, who has been very successful in another District, but did not fully maintain her reputation in this school; which is but another illustration of the truth, that no teacher is adapted to every school.

Winter Term. Mr. T. D. Worthen, who had charge of

the school last Winter. The school was profitable; nevertheless, we have the same impression as the previous Winter, that there was lack of the animation needful to the highest success.

To accommodate the scholars of this district, a new school-house was built on the North side of the river. There were two Departments.

Primary Department. Winter Term. Miss Mary L. Durkee. There was not quite that degree of order which we like to see, nevertheless the school was good.

Second Department. Winter Term. Miss Emma N. Miller, who, amid difficulties, conducted the school with success.

DIST. 16. Fall Term. Emma J. Hall. Under her care the scholars did very well.

Winter Term. Julia M. Dutton. Her acquirements were rather slender, but with diligence and care she gained fair success.

We are inclined, on the whole, to give the schools of the town a higher rank than in former years. There has been a manifest improvement in the methods of instruction, on the part of teachers. Too many teachers are just as good at the beginning as they are after years of experience. But the true teacher falls into no grooves, but gathers something new and better from the methods of others, and, as well, devises something for himself.

The law compelling attendance has had a good effect. Many scholars have been in the schools who would not have been there but for the law. With such institutions as ours, compelled intelligence, if it will be gained in no other way, is certainly wise. Not only the individual, but the neighborhood, and the State, suffer by the ignorance of a single person.

An inspection of the table accompanying this report, will, we think, convince anyone that something ought to be done to unite some of the Districts. The scholars are too few in numbers to be profited, for there is surely something of stim-

ulus in the contact of different minds with each other. Moreover, by a union of Districts, much better advantages could be given the scholars in the length of schools. We know that there are difficulties in the way of much condensation in our Districts; still we think they are not insuperable. We have no specific plans to recommend, but think this much should be done, namely, a committee appointed, whose duty it shall be to give the matter careful attention and devise some way of uniting the Districts.

The law requires Prudential Committees to notify the Superintending Committee of the opening and close of each term. In many instances this duty was neglected the past year. Schools began and closed without any notice whatever.

DISTRICTS 13, 4, 5 and 1 need new houses; 12 and 14 & 15 must provide more room for scholars.

CHARLES A. DOWNS,

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Lebanon, N. H, March 5, 1872.

Table of Schools.

Districts.	Terms.	TEACHER.	Length in Weeks.	Wages per Month, including Board.	Whole number of Scholars.	Avg'e Attendance.	Visits of S. Comm.
1	1	Abbie Floretta Cobb.	8	\$10 00	8	6½	
2	1	Jennie W. Gates.	12	14 00	31	28	2
	2	Jennie W. Gates.	8	16 00	26	24	
	1	Emma N. Miller.	12	24 00	31	27	2
	2	Emma N. Miller.	8	24 00	27	22	
	3	Jennie W. Gates.	11	28 00	31	28	2
	3	Kate F. Tracey.	11	28 00	36	23	2
3	1	C. Ann Bugbee.	11	22 00	22	18	
	2	Lizzie S. Balch.	11	33 00	25	22	2
	3	G. W. Soule.	12	24 67	19	13	2
4	1	Frances A. Hyde.	10	18 00	8	8	
	2	Lottie N. Estabrook.	8	18 00	9	7	
	3	E. Stella Collins.	10	26 00	18	17	2
5	1	Rosa A. Wood.	8	12 00	10	8	
	2	Pitt Dillingham.	9	25 00	8	5	
6	1	Emma F. Farnham.	16	28 00	3	3	1
7	1	R. M. Sawyer.	10	16 00	16	13	
	2	Pauline S. Miller.	12	24 00	14	11	2
8	1	Lucy A. Miller.	4	24 00	15	13	
	2	Lucy A. Miller.	12	20 00	15	13	3
	3	Lucy A. Miller.	14	24 00	20	15	
9	1	Mary Dresser.	9	10 00	7	6	
	2	Sarah Gile.	8	20 00	11	9	3
	3	Sarah Gile.	12	28 00	15	12	
10	1	Julia E. Flanders.	10	30 00	29	24	
	2	Jennie C. Tilton.	4	28 00	30	27	
	3	Emily Liscomb.	14	34 00	40	37	3
11	1	Achsah A. Wood.	10	22 00	12	10	
	2	Achsah A. Wood.	9	26 00	15	12	
	3	Emma F. Ross.	10	27 00	22	19	2
12	1	Lucy G. Roberts.	12	24 00	29	21	
	2	Clara J. Gates.	12	30 00	40	30	4
13	1	Lucy A. Miller.	12	26 00	43	36	2
	2	E. G. Sargent.	9	30 00	45	37	1
14 & 15	1	M. Ella Cushman.	12	24 00	55	47	2
	1	Mary Emerson.	12	28 00	54	49	2
	1	Nellie F. Smalley.	12	32 00	44	40	2
	1	Emma Harris.	12	36 00	59	49	2
	2	M. Ella Cushman.	12	28 00	33	28	2
	2	Mary L. Durkee.	12	28 00	40	35	2
	2	Mary Emerson.	12	32 00	43	40	2
	2	Nellie F. Smalley.	12	40 00	43	40	2
	2	Emma N. Miller.	12	28 00	42	39	2
	2	T. D. Worthen.	12	95 00	57	52	2
16	1	Emma J. Hall.	10	18 00	11	7	
	2	Julia M. Dutton.	12	16 00	8	5	2

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